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November 16, 2005

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
State of Louisiana
Post Office Box 44275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Lower Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A; Cotton Valley "D" Zone; Cotton Valley "C" Zone, Reservoir A; and Hosston (Travis Peak) Zone; SLIGO FIELD, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

CHESAPEAKE OPERATING, INC. ("Applicant"), hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the Lower Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A; the Cotton Valley "D" Zone; the Cotton Valley "C" Zone, Reservoir A; and to the Hosston (Travis Peak) Zone; all in the Sligo Field, Bossier Parish, Louisiana:

1. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize one (1) additional alternate unit well each for HOSS TP SUO, HOSS TP SUS and HOSS TP SUBB, and two (2) additional alternate unit wells for HOSS TP SU54, at the locations shown on attached plats.
2. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize the unit well for CV C RA SUC, and two (2) additional alternate unit wells each for CV C RA SUA and CV C RA SUD, at the locations shown on attached plats.
3. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize one (1) additional alternate unit well each for CV D SUV and CV D SUX, and two (2) additional alternate unit wells each for CV D SUW and CV D SUBB, at the locations shown on attached plats.
4. To permit Applicant to drill, designate and utilize one (1) additional alternate unit well each for LCV RA SUD and LCV RA SUF, and two (2) additional alternate unit wells each for LCV RA SUE and LCV RA SUZ, at the locations shown on attached plats.
5. To approve exceptions to the spacing provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 8-B, effective September 1, 1956 (applicable to the Cotton Valley "D" Zone and Hosston [Travis Peak] Zone), Office of Conservation Order No. 8-C, effective September 1, 1958 (applicable to the Cotton Valley "C" Zone, Reservoir A) and Office of Conservation Order No. 8-K, effective October 16, 1990 (applicable to the Lower Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A), for any of the proposed wells the location of which, as shown on the attached plats, does not comply with the well spacing provisions in said Orders.
6. To find that each of the proposed alternate unit wells is necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the unit on which it is proposed to be drilled which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well on such unit.
7. To expand the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 8-13, effective March 30, 2004, so as to authorize the downhole combination of production from the Cotton Valley "C" Zone, Reservoir A, underlying CVC RA SUB with production from any or all of the reservoirs approved for downhole combination of production by Order No. 8-13.

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8. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The Lower Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the Sligo Field, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 8-K, effective October 16, 1990, and was redefined as to LCV RA SUZ by Office of Conservation Order No. 8-K-11, effective November 27, 2001.

The Cotton Valley "C" Zone, Reservoir A, in the Sligo Field, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 8-B-2, effective August 1, 1958.

The Cotton Valley "D" Zone and the Hosston (Travis Peak) Zone in the Sligo Field, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, were defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 8-B, effective September 1, 1956, and the Hosston (Travis Peak) Zone was redefined as to HOSS TP SUO by Office of Conservation Order No. 8-B-59, effective November 14, 1995.

Any pertinent data concerning this application will be available for inspection at the offices of Joe B. Adams, 9141 Interline Avenue, Suite 3A, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809. Any person desiring to inspect any such data should call Mr. Adams at (225) 929-6097 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data which is not otherwise available from the records of the Louisiana Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

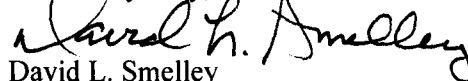
As provided by the Revised Rules of Procedure, the subject matter of this application does not require the issuance of a pre-application notice; therefore, no such notice has been issued.

Pursuant to the aforesaid Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of this letter, and of the eight (8) attached plats, is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation and to each of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing, and of the enclosed plats, at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Sligo Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, a copy of the Legal Notice will be mailed to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

A check payable to the Office of Conservation and covering the application fee is enclosed.

Yours very truly,



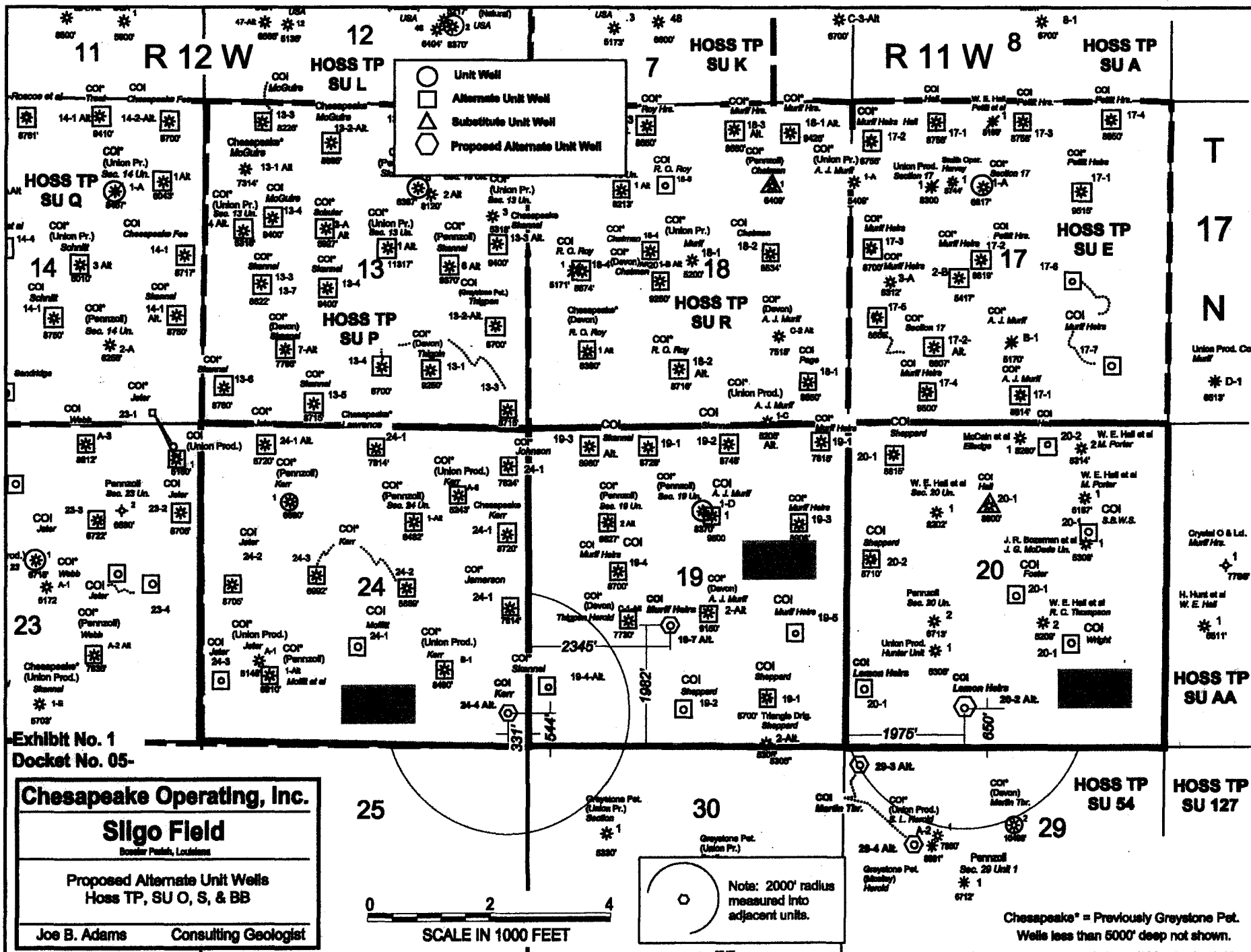
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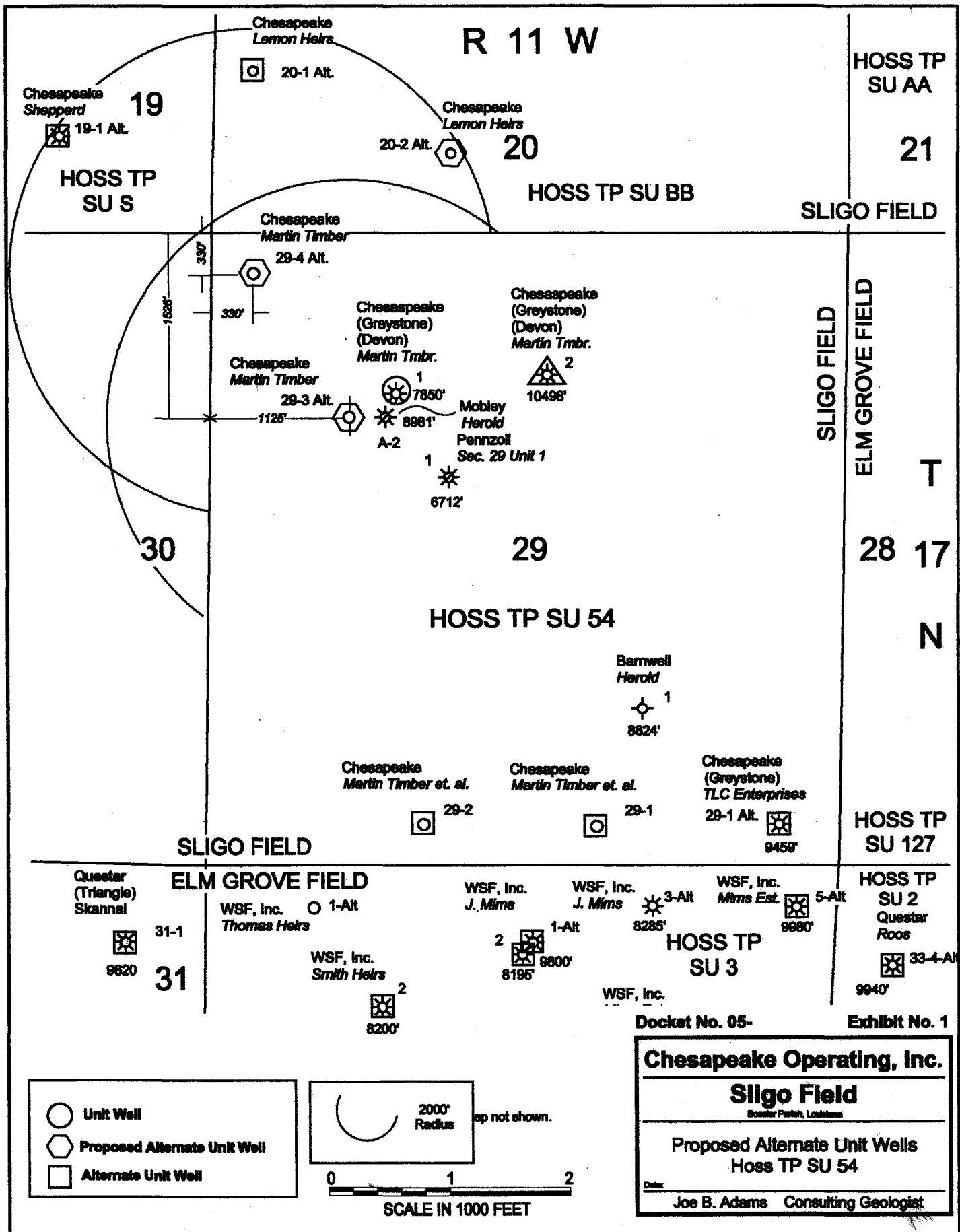
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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Jim Broussard (w/encls.)
Mr. Les Rodman (w/encls.)
Mr. Joe Adams (w/encls.)
Interested Owners, Represented
Parties and Interested Parties (w/plats only)





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Sligo Field

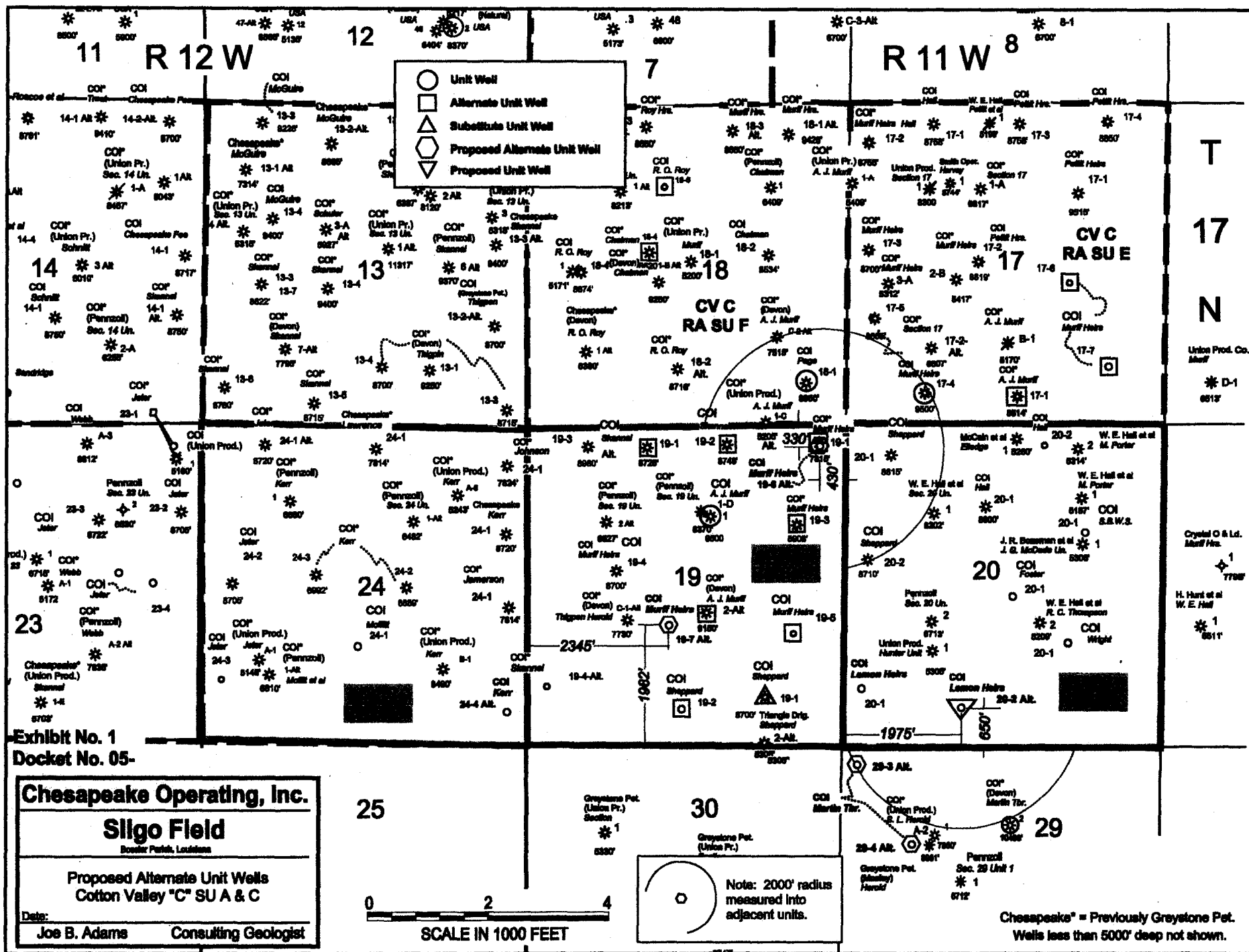
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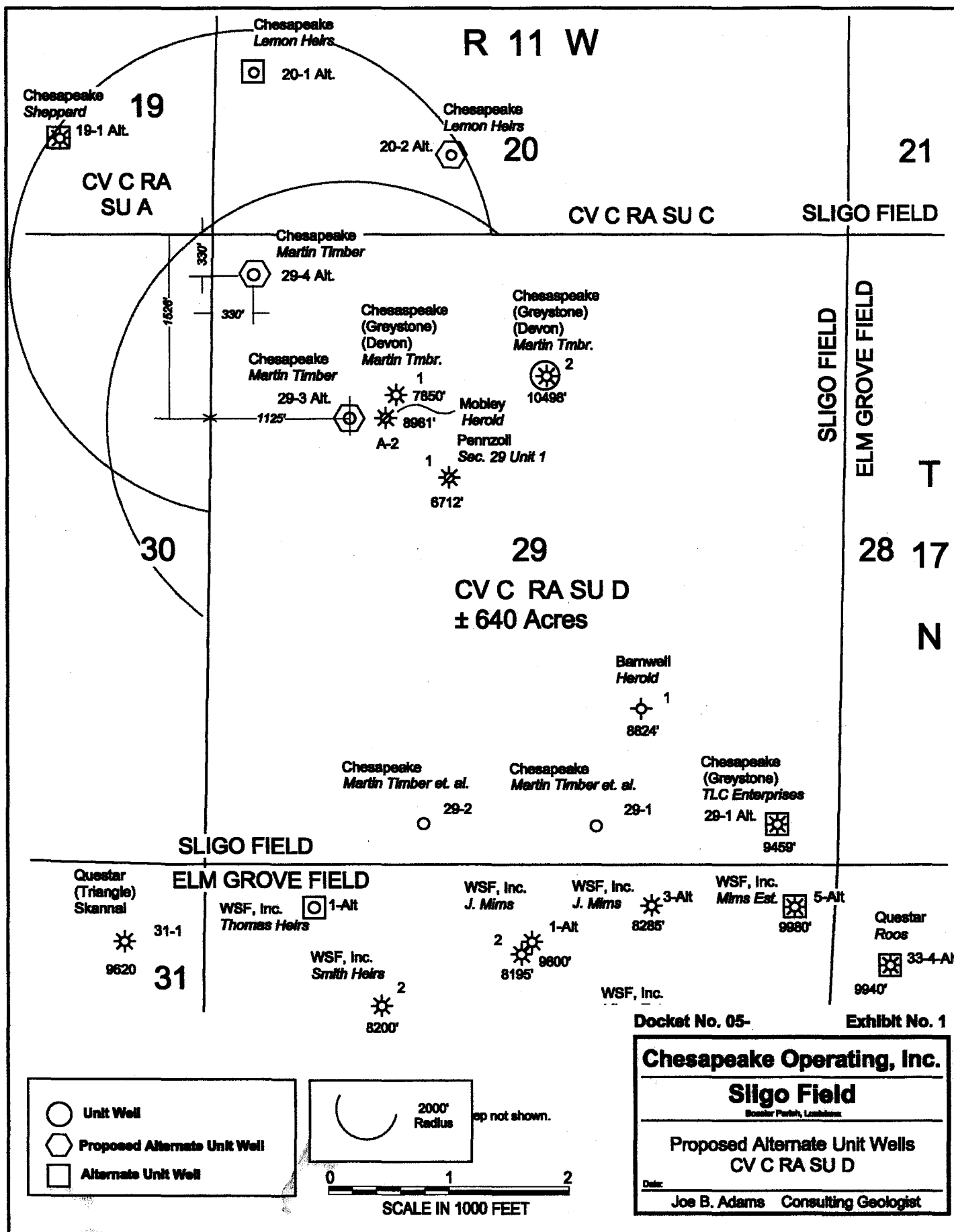
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Hoss TP SU 54

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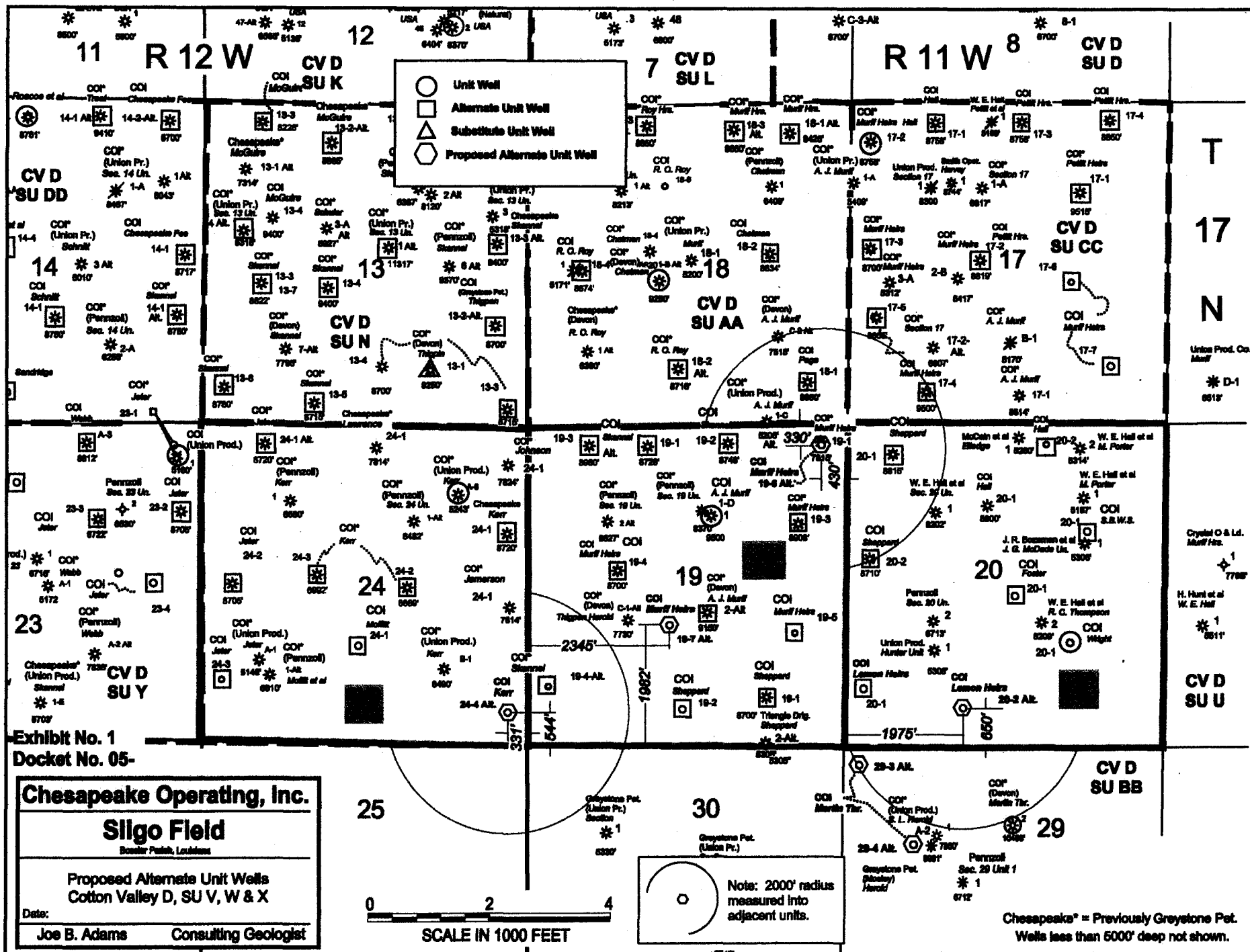
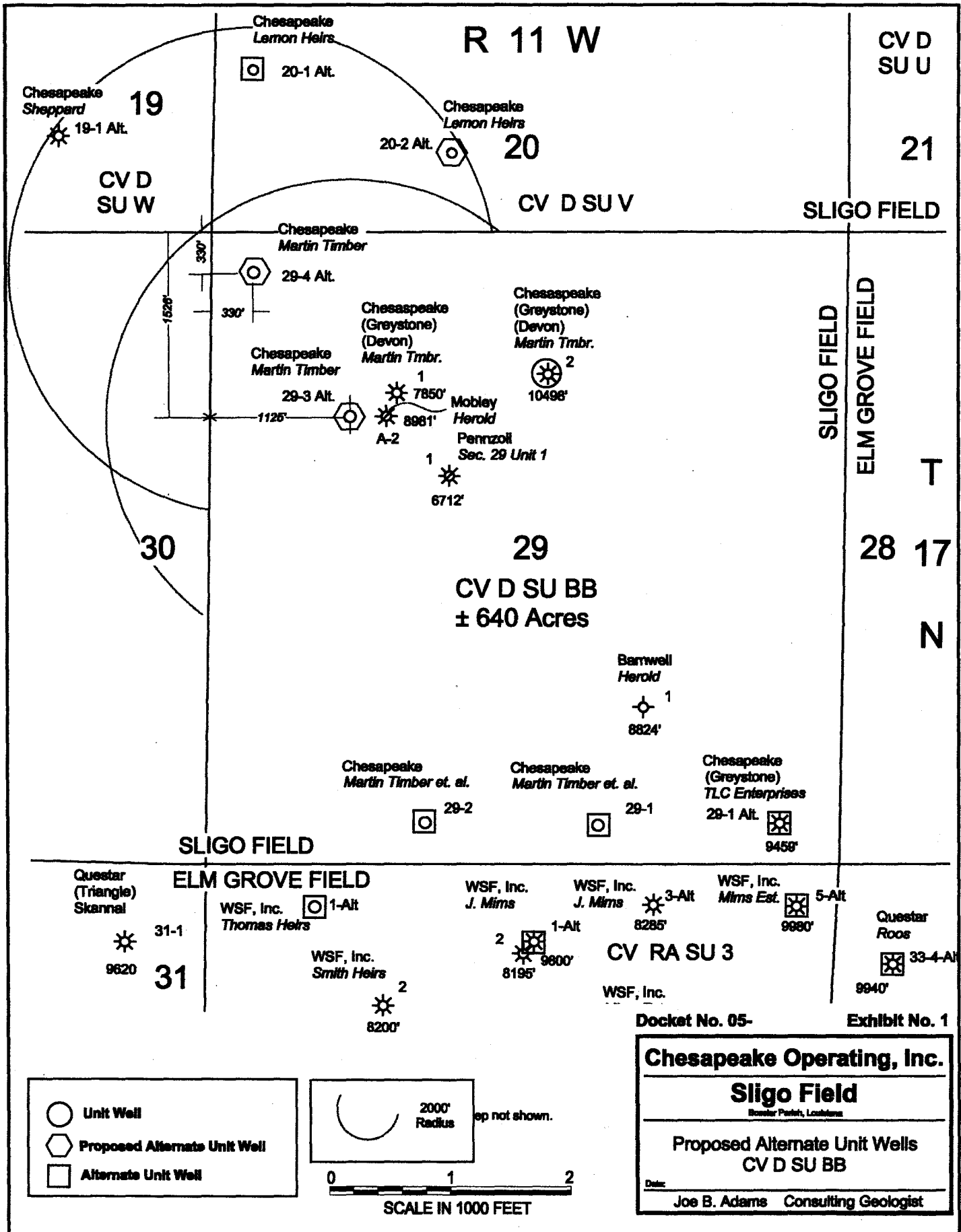


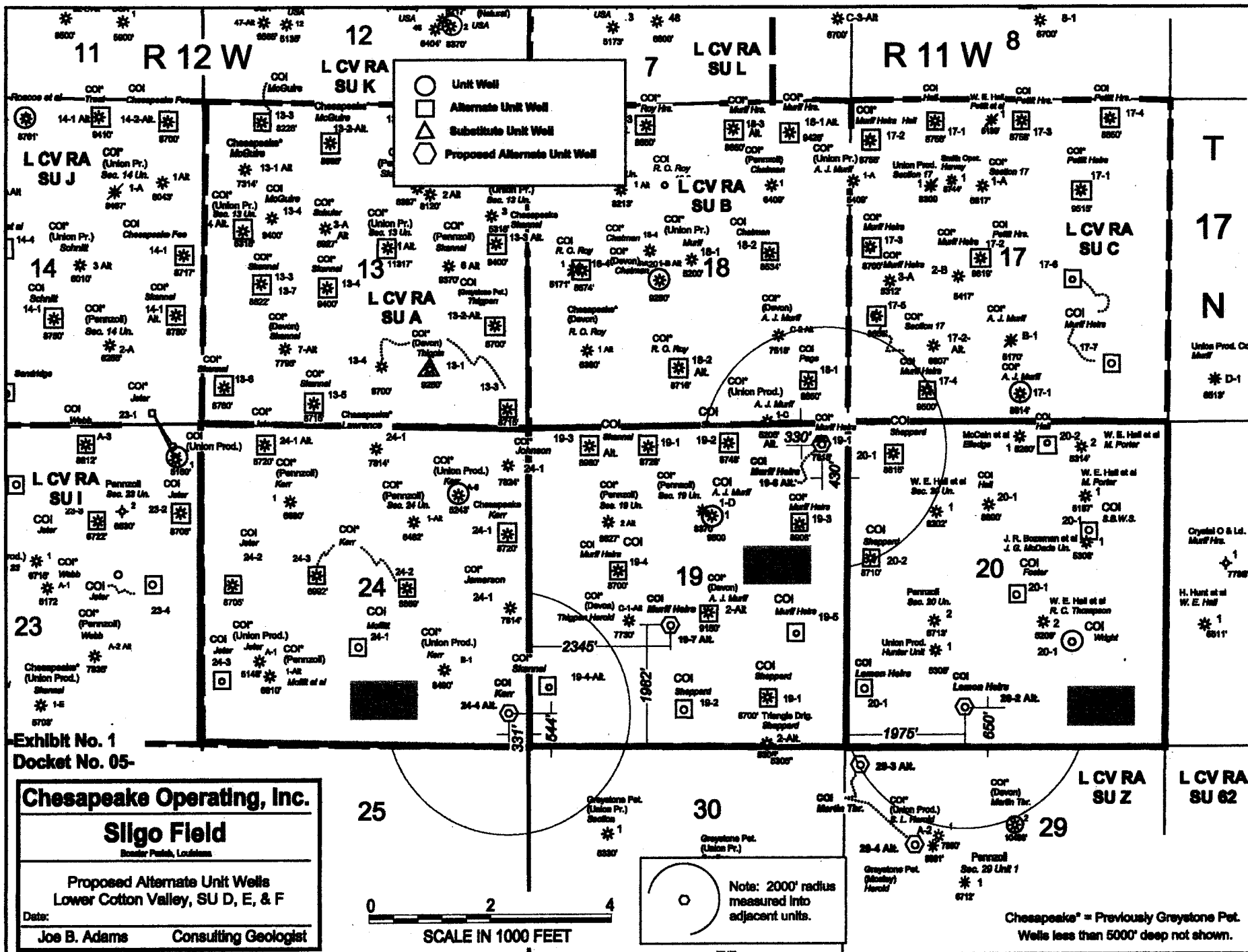
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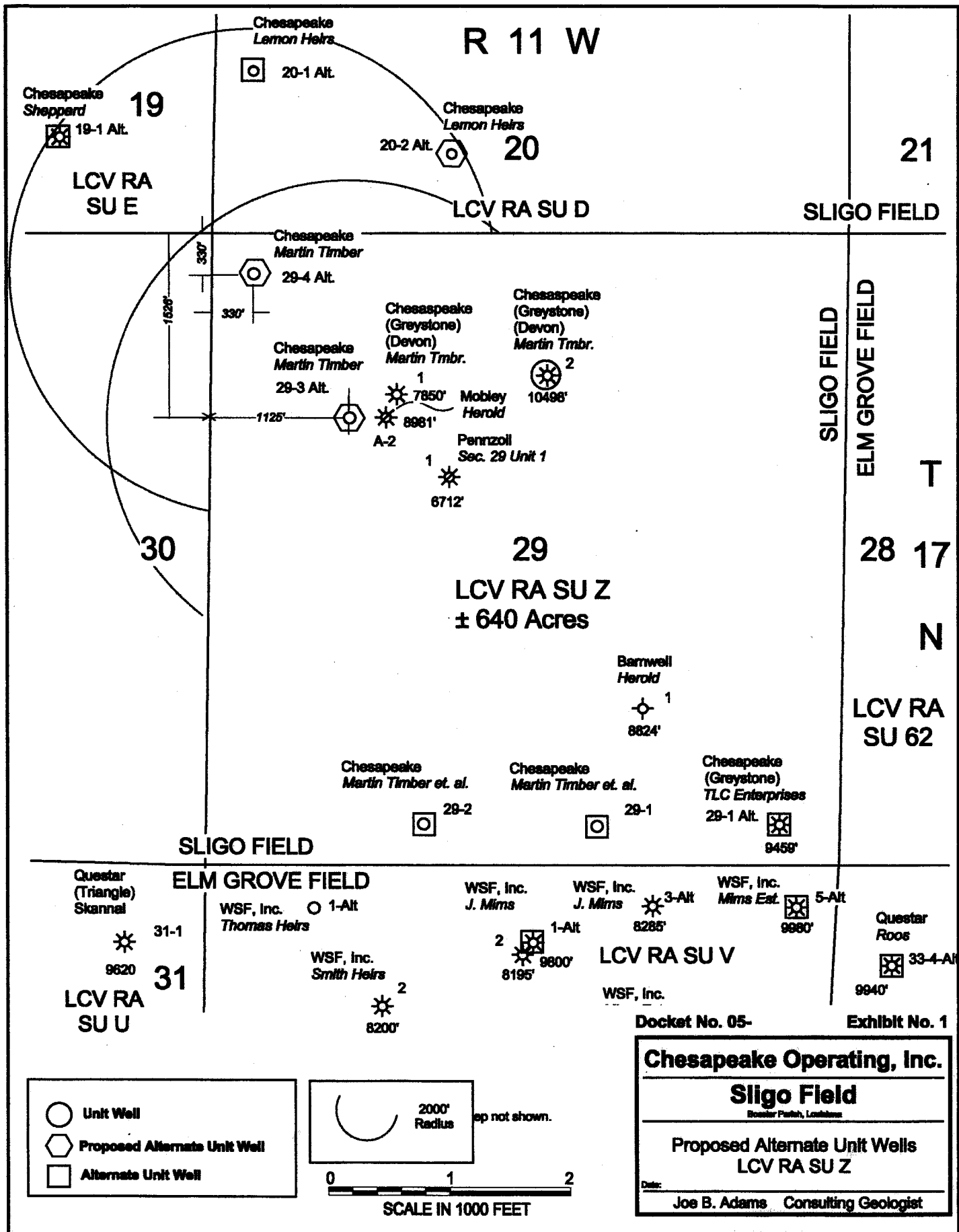
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Proposed Alternate Unit Wells
Cotton Valley D, SU V, W & X

Date:
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